## N. C. Department of Transportation



Division
Environmental Officer
Program

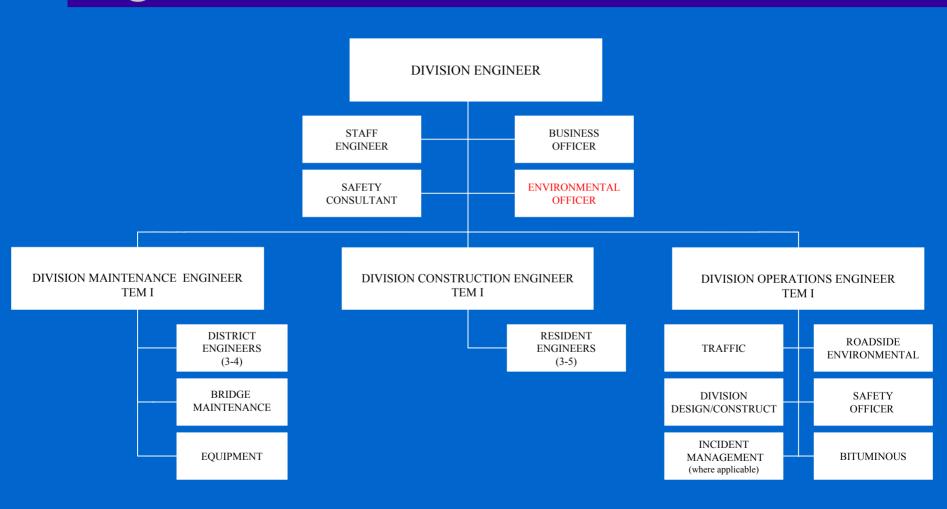
#### Division Engineer's Environmental Stewardship Program

- Professional Commitment
- Division Environmental Officers

## Implementation of Program

- 1995 First DEO in Division 1
- 1999 All Divisions Authorized to Post DEO Positions.
- 2001 All DEO Positions Filled

## Organizational Chart:



#### DEO Backgrounds and Education:

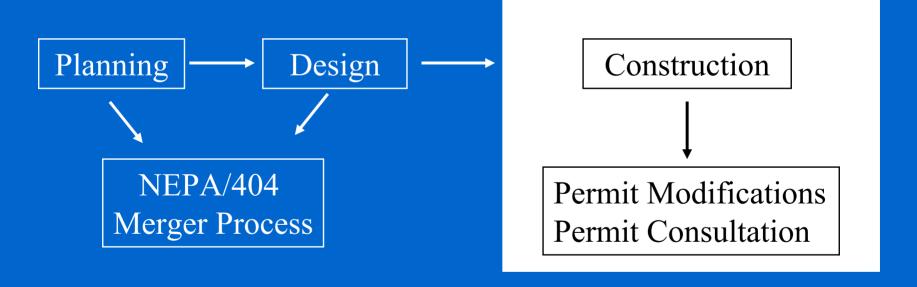
- Biologists
- Soil Scientists
- Botanists
- Engineers

# DEO Program's Function:

- Environmental Stewardship
- Assist with Obtaining Permits for Division Operations
- Build Local Relationships with Agencies
- Environmental Training

## Project Development

• Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)



## Project Development continued:

- Maintenance/Operations
  - Secondary Road Paving
  - Routine Pipe Replacements
  - Bridge Replacements

## Duties & Responsibilities

#### TIP

- Assist with Permit Modifications
- Attend Field Inspections
- Assist Resident Engineer with Review of Environmental Analysis Reports for Waste and Borrow Pits.
- Assist with Resolving Permit Violations

#### Duties & Responsibilities continued:

- Maintenance Activities:
  - Obtain Environmental Permits for Maintenance and Force Account Projects.
  - Process Permit Modifications
  - Delineate Environmentally Sensitive Areas
  - Complete Sections of the "Minimum Criteria
     Determination Checklist"
  - Obtain Environmental Permits for Division
     Design/Construction Projects (PD&EA will prepare environmental documents if required)

## Duties & Responsibilities continued:

• DEO's Work According to Division Engineer's Discretion or Individual Needs.



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### Benefits of DEO Program:

- Improved Communication between Resource Agencies and NCDOT with Local Perspective.
- Increase Environmental Compliance.
- Assist in Developing General Permits and General Certifications.
- Environmental Stewardship.